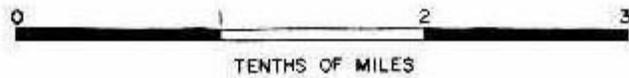


**MIDAS # 1734**

**MUD POND**

**LINNEUS TWP, AROOSTOOK CO., MAINE**

AREA 19 ACRES



# MUD POND

Linneus Twp., Aroostook County  
U.S.G.S. Meduxnekeag Lake (7 1/2')

## Fishes

Brook trout  
Rainbow smelt  
Yellow perch  
Chain pickerel

White sucker  
Hornpout (bullhead)  
Pumpkinseed sunfish  
American eel

## Physical Characteristics

Area - 25 acres

Temperatures:

Surface - 70<sup>0</sup>F

20 feet - 48<sup>0</sup>F

34 feet - 43<sup>0</sup>F

Maximum depth - 39 feet

Principal fisheries: Brook trout, chain pickerel

Mud Pond, also known as Russell Pond, has good trout habitat throughout the summer as water between the depths of 12 and 20 feet is cold with adequate dissolved oxygen. Water below the 20 foot level is low in dissolved oxygen in late summer.

Few or no wild brook trout have existed at Mud Pond due to lack of spawning or juvenile trout habitat and the presence of competing and predatory fishes. Chemical reclamation was originally suggested for the pond but is probably unfeasible due to a low gradient outlet stream.

A stocking program was initiated in 1990 in order to provide a trout fishery. Currently, yearling brook trout are stocked in the spring each year and are usually of legal size, ranging 8 to 12 inches.

Conservative fishery regulations have been implemented to maintain and enhance sportfishing opportunities.

Access to Mud Pond is by a public right-of-way with a gravel boat launch and parking area provided by the town of Linneus. The site is located on the northeast corner of the pond off the South Oakfield Road.

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